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REPORT ON FINAL MEETING

1. AT MEETING 8:00 P.M. MAY 31 (SEE PARA 3, ROME 6391) CAPOMAZZA BEGAN BY DECLARING HE WAS READY EXCHANGE NOTES TO EXTEND AGREEMENT ON CONDITION THAT PERIOD USED FOR CONTINUATION OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH NO LIMITATIONS ON EITHER SIDE. STATED THAT THIS REQUIREMENT WAS ON INSTRUCTION FROM HIS MINISTER. STATED FURTHER, HOWEVER, THAT IF USDEL DID NOT HAVE AUTHORITY GO BEYOND ITS OFFER FOR ITALIAN ROUTES IN OUR DOC. 6 AND DELAY ONLY TO BE FOR GOI TO CONSIDER THAT OFFER, THEN HE MUST DECLARE THAT OFFER INSUFFICIENT AND UNACCEPTABLE.

2. LOY REPLIED THAT HAD INDICATED AT MORNING MEETING WHAT MOVES POSSIBLE AND WHAT IMPOSSIBLE FOR US IN NEXT FEW DAYS. REITERATED

THAT POSITION REMAINS. SAID HOWEVER, THAT WITH THIS UNDERSTANDING RE AVENUES OPEN FOR EXPLORATION, US READY EXCHANGE NOTES. REPEATED THAT HAD STATED US LIMITATIONS IN ORDER AVOID POSSIBLE MISUNDERSTANDING OF WHAT COULD BE DONE DURING PERIOD OF EXTENSION.

3. CAPOMAZZA SAID, "SINCE THAT IS TRUE, WE CANNOT SIGN." SAID IF ONLY "DETAILS", NOT "SUBSTANCE" COULD BE DISCUSSED, DID NOT SEE USEFULNESS OF PROLONGING DISCUSSIONS. SAID HE COULD NOT ACCEPT AN EXTENSION SIMPLY FOR PURPOSE OF TRYING TO CONVINCE GOI TO ACCEPT LAST US POSITION (INCLUDING DROP OF AFRICA AND AUSTRALIA BEYONDS).

4. LOY REPEATED FINAL US POSITION, AS STATED MORNING MEETING, THAT US NOT PREPARED ADD NEW POINTS IN US OR NEW BEYONDS FOR ITALY. "IF IN VIEW OF THAT," HE SAID, "YOU DO NOT THINK DISCUSSIONS

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SHOULD CONTINUE, THEN WE SHARE YOUR FEELING IT IS BETTER NOT TO PROCEED WITH EXCHANGE OF NOTES." STATED AGAIN THAT US HAD SOME FLEXIBILITY LEFT WITH REGARD TO US ROUTES.

5. CAPOMAZZA STATED THAT COULD LOOK AT SUCH "MINOR ISSUES" USEFULLY BUT WOULD SURELY COME BACK TO "THE WALL OF YOUR INSTRUCTIONS ON THE SUBSTANCE."

6. DELEGATIONS THEN AGREED ON JOINT COMMUNIQUE TO BE RELEASED

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IMMEDIATELY. UNDERSTOOD THAT BOTH SIDES WOULD ISSUE FURTHER BACKGROUND TO PRESS UNILATERALLY.

7. CAPOMAZZA REITERATED DESIRE FOR AGREED MINUTE ON NEGOTIATIONS. USDEL OFFERED TABLE DRAFT AGREED MINUTE ON JUNE 1. OUR DRAFT AIRPOUCHED TO DEPT MAY 30.

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